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**Programming and Allocations Committee
December 10, 2008
Minutes**

Chairperson Tissier called the meeting to order at approximately 10:07 a.m. Committee members present were: Commissioners Cortese, Glover, Kinsey, and Tissier. Other commissioners present were: Dodd, Haggerty, Chu, Lempert, Rubin, Worth, and Yeager.

Consent Calendar

The Committee approved the following consent items:

- Minutes of November 12, 2008 meeting as submitted.
- 2009 Transportation Improvement Program (TIP) Amendment 2009-02. MTC Resolution No. 3875, Revised.
- Revisions to FY 2007-08 AB 664 Bridge Toll Program. MTC Resolution No. 3742, Revised.
- Revisions to FTA Section 5311 Program of Projects. MTC Resolution No. 3838, Revised.
- Allocation of State Transit Assistance (STA) and Transportation Development Act (TDA) Funds to SamTrans for Transit Capital and Operations. MTC Resolution Nos. 3850, Revised, and 3851, Revised.

State Programming

- Proposition 1B - Transit: Priorities and Policy for FY 2008-09 Population-Based Funds. MTC Resolution No. 3880.

Kenneth Folan, Programming and Allocations Section, referenced a chart which outlines staff's recommendations for \$28 million of the \$32 million FY 2008-09 Proposition 1B Transit Funds. The projects include bus purchases, passenger amenities/access improvements; and expansion projects. He also noted that if accelerated bond funds become available staff will come back before the Committee with an augmented list. Lastly, Mr. Folan explained that staff will recommend some Lifeline projects to the Committee in January 2009 for approval.

The Committee approved staff's recommendation to refer MTC Resolution No. 3880 to the Commission for approval.

Regional Programming

- Request to hold a public hearing for the proposed reassignment of RM2 funds.

Anne Richman, Programming and Allocations Section, reviewed staff's request for a public hearing noting the release of proposed amendments to reassign \$91 million in RM2 funds between the Dumbarton Rail/BART Warm Springs and \$10 million in RM2 funds between the BART Seismic Strengthening/Oakland Airport Connector projects.

The Committee approved staff's recommendation to hold a public hearing for the proposed reassignment of RM2 funds.

- Proposed allocation of approximately \$20 million in RM2 Capital funds. MTC Resolution Nos. 3649, Revised, 3684, Revised, 3708, Revised, 3716, Revised, 3722, Revised, and 3730, Revised.

Anne Richman, Programming and Allocations Section, reviewed the background supporting staff's recommendation to allocate approximately \$20 million for the following four capital projects: US 101 Greenbrae / Twin Cities Corridor Improvements (\$4.4 million), e-BART (\$15 million), Express Bus Solano – Benicia Intermodal Facilities (\$92,000), and I-80 HOV Lanes in Contra Costa County (\$950,000), as well as one capital program rescission for the Real Time Transit Information Project (\$200,000). Anne also referenced a supplemental request (pink hand-out) for approval to change conditions on RM2 project 19, Real Time Transit.

Steve Kinsey, MTC Commissioner, asked if the movement of the Real Time Transit funds was because they have other funds to implement it and they no longer need the funds or if the project is in some way delayed.

Anne Richman responded by stating the project is not delayed, rather, MTC and BART have been installing signage at various hubs around the region and have worked out with the sponsors that it would be more efficient for MTC and BART to continue to install the hub signage rather than having each individual sponsor go out separately for contracts. Staff is trying to consolidate some of this work and that involves moving around some of the funds to support that effort. Anne also confirmed that MTC and BART are taking on intermodal connections and that the Real Time information within the system areas are moving forward with their own individual contracts.

Tom Bates, MTC Commissioner, asked if the Real Time project will be completed by the proposed extended times. He also applauded the on time notification to the public but would like to see the projects completed on time.

Anne Richman responded by stating that the four projects Emery Go-Round, AC Transit, WestCat, and Caltrain have already had funds allocated to them and the projects are well underway. The extensions were requested in order to complete and close out the projects, such as punch list items and invoicing.

The Committee approved staff's recommendation to refer MTC Resolution Nos. 3649, Revised, 3684, Revised, 3708, Revised, 3716, Revised, 3722, Revised, and 3730, Revised to the Commission for approval.

California Transportation Commission (CTC) Report

Alix Bockelman, Programming and Allocations, informed the Committee that MTC is hosting the CTC meeting this afternoon in downtown Oakland. MTC is co-hosting along with ACTIA and Alameda CMA a reception this evening at the Rotunda Building across the street from City Hall. Some of the items for discussion at the meeting will include an overview of Bay Area transportation presented by MTC Commissioner Bill Dodd and MTC Executive Director Steve Heminger, State and Local Partnership Program, and an update on the Trade Corridor and Corridor Mobility programs.

Public Comment

Commissioner Tissier adjourned the meeting at approximately 10:18 a.m.